

REMARKS

This Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review mailed November 8, 2006 which stated Claims 5, 6, 12, 13, 21, 22, 30 and 31 were objected to and that only Claims 1-4, 7-11, 14-20, 23-29 and 32 were rejected. Applicant has rewritten objected to Claims 5, 12, 21, and 30 in independent form as Claims 1, 9, 16, and 25, respectively. Claims 4, 5, 11, 12, 17, and 21 have been cancelled. Applicant notes that prior to rewriting Claim 30 in independent form as amended Claim 25, Claim 30 inadvertently depended from Claim 30 rather than Claim 25. Favorable action is requested.

CONCLUSION

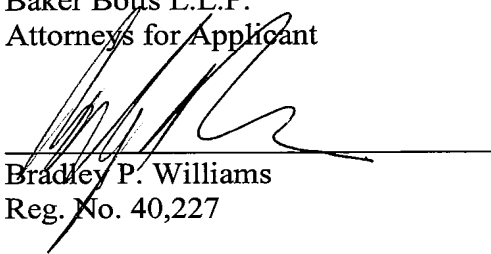
Applicants have made an earnest attempt to place this case in condition for allowance. For the foregoing reasons and for other reasons clearly apparent, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and full allowance of all pending Claims.

If the Examiner feels that a conference would advance prosecution of this Application in any manner, Bradley P. Williams stands willing to conduct such a telephone interview at the convenience of the Examiner. Mr. Williams may be reached at 214-953-6447.

Applicant does not believe that any fees are due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge these fees and any extra fee or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

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